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**RANGE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Monday, January 14, 2019
Stockton, CA

RMAC Members Present	RMAC Members Absent
Chair Marc Horney Lesa Osterholm Sheryl Landrum Bart Cremers John Van Duyn Billie Roney Katie Delbar, ex officio member	Russell Chamberlin Andrée Soares Lance Criley Rich Ross Don Watson
RMAC Staff	Department Staff
Edith Hannigan Brandi Goss	

Items appear in the order they were presented on the agenda.

Staff Report**a. 2019 Schedule**

Ms. Hannigan went over the 2019 schedule with the members. The committee had decided to meet in Sacramento on Tuesdays in every odd month and the 2019 schedule reflects that.

b. Approve July and November 2018 Minutes

01-19-01 Member Osterholm moved to approve the July and November 2018 meeting minutes. Member Roney seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Landrum	Aye
Roney	Aye
Cremers	Aye
Van Duyn	Aye
Osterholm	Aye
Horney	Aye

The motion passed unanimously with five absences.

California Rangeland Conservation Coalition Signatory

Ms. Hannigan informed the committee that the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection decided to become a signatory to the California Rangeland Conservation Coalition Resolution, and supported RMAC in becoming a signatory if they decided to do so. The

The Board's mission is to lead California in developing policies and programs that serve the public interest in environmentally, economically, and socially sustainable management of forest and rangelands, and a fire protection system that protects and serves the people of the state.

committee discussed the re-affirmation process that CRCC has been going through, asking signatories to re-affirm their support. Karen Sweet, CRCC Director, confirmed that becoming a signatory does not mean supporting all actions of CRCC, just the general mission of their resolution.

01-19-02 Member Landrum moved for the Range Management Advisory Committee to become a signatory to the California Rangeland Conservation Coalition's Resolution.

Roll Call Vote:

Landrum	Aye
Roney	Nay
Cremers	Aye
Van Duyn	Aye
Osterholm	Aye
Horney	Aye

The motion passed with five ayes, one nay, and five absences.

2019 Priorities

Ms. Hannigan discussed the staff's recommendations for RMAC's 3 priorities for the 2019 year and how they differ in structure from 2018's goals to be more specific and project oriented. The priorities discussed were:

1. Promote beneficial grazing for fuel reduction
2. Disseminate contemporary rangeland science & use it to host a workshop for public agencies and others
3. Provide input to state/regional regulatory or policy programs relevant to rangeland health

Current Focus Groups Update

a. Water Quality

On January 7, 2019, RMAC sent a letter to CalEPA regarding the Central Valley and Lahontan Water Boards' process for developing a nonpoint source pollution permit for federal lands. The State and two regional boards reached out to RMAC staff and a meeting is scheduled for late February to discuss.

b. Wolf Impacts – California Data Collection and Other State's Programs

Ms. Goss briefly went over the Wolf Policy document that she created. This document summarizes regulations and policies that different states use to govern wolf-livestock conflicts as well as how they are regulated federally. The document also included were some relief grants available at the state and federal level.

c. Prescribed Herbivory

Ms. Goss went over a revised grant document that included several additional grants that may be used for prescribed herbivory projects or other rangeland related projects that may be of interest to RMAC members and/or be used to engage other agencies and stakeholders in rangeland research and management.

d. Invasive Pests

Member Landrum provided an update on invasive pests. The California Association of Resource Conservation Districts held their conference the week before Thanksgiving; this conference included a field trip to a park infested with Gold Spotted Oak Borers and shot hole borers.

Updates form Partner Organizations & Public Forum

Member Landrum mentioned the Forest Management Task Force meeting that occurred on January 14, 2019.

Meeting Adjourned.